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150 Fleet Street. ARISAND EUROPE:-AMEDEE PRINCE, 30. Ruc Enfancito, Paris, NEW YORK - J. STEWART HAPPER, THE for the purpose of receiving a Report from

22d Street. 54 N. FRANCISCO and American Ports generally :- BEAN & BLACK: Nan Fran-

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Banks.

NOTICE.

() ULES OF THE HONGKONG BAVINGS' BANK.

-The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3: Saturdays, 10

2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year. 1. - Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at

their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest. t. ... Interest at the rate of 31 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on

their daily balances. 5. - Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

b.- Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China. 7.-Withdrawals may be made on demand,

but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book ATO RECORBARY.

Hongkong & Shanghai Banking 10lb. as heretofore. CORPORATION, F. DE BOVIS, Acting Chief Manage.

Congkong, January 1, 1891,

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL,\$9,296,677.07 RESERVE LIABILITY OF \$ \$9,296,677.07 PROPRIETORS,....

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman-J. S. Moses, Esq. Deputy Chairman ... S. C. MICHAELSEN, Esq. H. L. DALRYMPLE, | Hon. J. J. KESWICK,

ALEX. McConachie, T. E. DAVIES, Esq. C. J. HOLLIDAY, Esq. L. POESNECKER, Esq. H. HOPPIUS, Esq. | D. R. SASSOON, Esq. ACTING CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong,.....F. DE Bovis, Esq. MANAGER. Shanghal John Walter, Esq. LONDON BANKERS .- London and County

HONGKONG. INTEREST ALLOWED N Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS balance.

On Fixed Deposits :---For 3 months, 2 per cent, per annum. 4 par cent. a a 5 per cent. "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. Oredits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan. F. DE BOVIS.

Acting Chief Manager. Hongkong, March 11, 1891.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL£2,000,000

London: Head Office 40, Threadneedle Street,

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ITHE BANK receives Money on Deposit. Buys and Sells Bills of Exchange, Issues Letters of Oredit, forwards Bills for Collection, and Transacts Banking and Agency Business generally, on terms to e had on application.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS:

Fixed for 12 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum. ON CUERENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS 2 per

Cent. per Annum on the Daily Balance. E. W. RUTTER, Manager. Hongkong, September 4, 1890.

號十二月三年一十九百八十一英

THE CHINA SUGAR REFINING

COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE.

/INHE Thirteonth Ordinary Annual MEET ING of SHAREHOLDERS in the. above Company will be held at the OFFICE of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, TO-MORROW, the 21st March, at 11 a.m., CHINESE EVANGELIST OFFICE, 52, West the General Agenta, with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1890. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 21st

March, both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents. Hongkong, March 20, 1891.

HONGKONG SCHOOLS ATHLETIC SPORTS.

TOY kind Permission of the JOOKEY OLUB, D the SPORTS connected with the above will be held on the RACE COURSE, TO-MORROW, the 21st Instant, commencing at 1.30 p.m.

LADY DES VŒUX has kindly consented to Distribute the Prizes. SELECTIONS of MUSIC will be given at intervals by the Band of the A. & S.

HIGHLANDERS. EDW. JNO. BOARDS. Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, March 20, 1891.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION. COMPETITION for the Long Range Handican Subscription CUP and Range SPOONS will be held on SATUR-DAY, the 21st Instant, at 3.30 p.m. Disances—800 and 900 Yards. Ten Shots at each. Position, any. Entrance Fee, 30

A Launch will leave the P. & O. Pier at 3 o'Clock p.m. to convey Competitors." FRANK COLLINS. Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, March 16, 1891. THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFAC TURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Seventh Ordinary General MEET-ING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, Praya Central, on MONDAY, 23rd March, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon, for the General Managers, declaring a Dividend, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 8th to the 23rd Instant, both days inclusive. RUSSELL & Co.,

General Managers. Hongkong, March 6, 1891. HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

TIME WEIGHTS for the above RACE will be weight for inches, not 10st.

HONGKONG DERBY, 1892.

E. H. GORE-BOOTH, Clerk of the Course.

Hougkong, March 17, 1891. THE BALMORAL GOLD MINING.

. COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEET-ING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL on WEDNESDAY, the 25th day of MARCH, 1891, at 2.30 P.M. in the Afternoon, for the purpose of receiving EVENING, the 20th Instant, at 8.30 the Report of the Directors and a State- for 9 p.m. precisely. -VISITING BESTHEEN ment of Accounts to the 30th day of Sep- are cordially INVITED.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Con-PARY will be CLOSED from the 18th instant to the 25th Instant, both days inclu-By Order of the Board of Directors,

K. A. STEVENS Secretary. Hongkong, 10th March, 1891.

THE BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, That an EX TRA-ORDINARY GENERAL the above Company will be held at the HONGRONG HOTEL, VICTORIA, in the Colony of Hongkong, at 2.45 o'clock P.M., on WEDNESDAY, the 25th day of MARCH, 1891, for the purpose of considering, and i approved of passing, the following Special Resolution :-

"That the Capital of The Balmorel Gold "Mining Company, Limited, be in-"creased from \$180,000 to \$225,000 by "the creation of Four Thousand and Five Hundred New Shares of \$10 each "to be fully paid up. And that such "New Shares be issued upon such "terms and conditions and generally with such rights and privileges as "shall be resolved upon or directed at "the Meeting, and if no direction be

"given as the Directors shall deteragainst the said Estate, By Order of the Board of Directors,

Hongkong, 10th March, 1891. 471 to the said Estate are requested to make

CANTON DISTRICT.

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS No. 38.

PILES OF WHAMPOA BARRIER

CARRIED AWAY. MAPTAINS of Vessels are hereby notifled, that no reliance can be placed on the position of the Green Light at the Whampoa barrier, (Li-te Cha) until the outer piles on the South side recently car-

ried away-are replaced; due notice of which will be given. J. H. M.Y. Harbour Master.

F. E. WUODRUFF, Commissioner. CURTON HOUSE. 1362 Canton, 14th March, 1891.

Intimations. Business Notices.

MUSICAL DEPARTMENT.

SELECTION TIOLINS, TENORS, BANJOS, GUITARS, MANDOLINES AND ZITHERS. CORNETS, SAXHORNS, BARITONES, EUPHONIUMS AND TROMBONES. CLARINETS, OBOES, FLUTES, PICCOLOS, FIFES AND FLAGEOLETES. MOLIN, BANJO, GUITAR AND MANDOLINE STRINGS VIOLIN CASES AND BOWS. GUITAR CASES.

> FITTINGS FOR ALL MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS. LARGE STOCK OF MUSIC.

> > SELECTIONS may be had on Approval.

By BROADWOOD, COLLARD, CHAPPELL AND OTHER EMINENT MAKERS. PLANOS ON HIRE.

PIANOS REPAIRED. PIANOS TUNED. Pianos on the Monthly Payment System. Hongkong, February 28, 1891.

Victoria Hotel, Praya and Queen's Road Central. Honokong.

THIS Extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost. the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c , has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Horars in the place.

The ROOMS are spacious, well ventilated and have just been refurnished in a most. -comfortable and handsome manner, suited to the requirements of the Far East: The Accommodation and Service of every kind will be found to be of the best description. An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is always provided and served in the spacious, large DINING HALL.

The HOTEL also contains handsome and comfortable Reception, READING, BILLIARD and Smourne Rooms. The HOTEL is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service. Continental languages are spoken.

Messrs. DORABJEE & HING KEE. Proprietors. Hongkong, September 16, 1885.

TAILORS, GENERAL OUTFITTERS, &c. (OPPOSITE HONGRONG HOTEL).

AUR STOCK of SEASONABLE GOODS to now complete in all the NEWEST MATERIALS, comprising :- A Large Variety of DRESS SUITING from \$30, upwards. TWEEDS for SULTS, ULSTERS and INVERNESS CAPES, CORDS and purpose of receiving the Report of the ELASTICS for RIDING and SHOOPING, BRUCHES and LEGGINGS.

EVENING DRESS SHIRTS, COLLARS, TIES, GLOVES, SILK, LISLE THREAD and CASHMERE SOOKS; PATENT LEATHER PUMPS and SHOES, &c., &c., &c.

W. POWELL & Co. UST RECEIVED

W. POWELL & Co. VIUTORIA EXCHANGE, March 14, 1891.

Intimations.

CATHAY CHAPTER, No. 1165.

A above CHAPTER will be held in the

FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, THIS

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

the MILITARY AUTHORITIES

hours of 9 s.m. and 5 p.m. daily.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

By Command.

CAUTIONED to keep clear of the Ranges.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1891.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF

the Matter of the Estate of the late

TOTICE is hereby given that the Honour-

virtue of Section 3 of Ordinance 9 of 1870,

the said date, and all Persons INDEBTED

Dated this 17th day of March, 1891.

WOTTON & DEACON.

LUZON SUGAR REFINING

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Agents.

COMPANY, LIMITED.

Solicitors for the Executors,

35, Queen's Road, Hongkong,

immediate Payment.

both days inclusive.

Hongkong, March 9, 1891.

able the CHIEF JUSTICE having, in

ANDREW ALLISON MCCASLIN.

HONGKONG.

MASTER MARINER, Deceased.

W. M. DEANE.

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Hongkong, March 20, 1891.

Intimations.

NOTICE SPECTACLES AND EYE-GLASSES

Regular CONVOCATION of the The Achromatic Spectacles, S USED BY ALL OROWNED HEADS OF EUROPE. All the principal opthalmic surgeons in England, India and Europe pre-

scribe them to their patients. Mr. L. ABRAHAMSON. OCULIST-OPTICIAN. is now in HONGKONG and may be consulted at the CONNAUGHT HOUSE.

FOR TEN DAYS ONLY! 490 NFORMATION has been Received from A OUTRIE, ROBINSON & Co., ARTHLERY PRACTICE will take place (From J. BROADWOOD & SONS from the Batteries at Lyemun in Northand COLLARD & COLLARD), Westerly and Easterly directions, North shortly OPEN a BRANCH House in Point in a North-Easterly-direction, and-Hongkong and show a Large and Varied

Kowloon Dock in an Easterly direction; from the 16th to 21st Instants, between the PIANOS, and ORGANS, All Ships, Junks and other Vessels are and every description of MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, SALE, HIRE,

Purchase by Monthly Payments. We shall be prepared to undertake the REPAIRING or REBUILDING THROUGHOUT of PIANOS: PIPE or

REED ORGANS, &c., on Free Estimates, We employ a Large Staff of Native Workmen, and all our Foreign Tuners & Repairers have been trained in the best Factories, and we will GUARANTEE all our Work. - MOUTRIE, ROBINSON & Co., LONDON, SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA:

16 Years' Extensive Experience in China made an Order limiting to the 14TH PAY OF and the only Firm of trained and practical people devoting themselves entirely to the MAY, 1891, the time for sending in CLAIMS MUSIC AND MUSICAL INSTRUMENT All Creditors are hereby required to send in their CLAIMS to the Undersigned before

WANTED. ERCOND-HAND ENGLISH BILLIARD

TABLE. Apply to ' A. B. C., care of China Mail Hoogkoug, March 10, 1891. THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP

COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Ninth Ordinary ANNUAL MEET. THE Eighth Ordinary General MEET. ING of SHAREHOLDERS in the I ING of SHAREHOLDERS will be above Company will be held at the OFFICE held at the OFFICE of the Company, Praya signed with a List of their Contributions of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on Central, on MONDAY, the 30th March, at for the year anding 31st December, 1890, in THURSDAY, the 26th March, at Noon, for 3 o'Clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose | Order that the DISTRIBUTION of BONUS the purpose of receiving a Report from the of receiving the Report of the General may be arranged. Returns not rendered General Agents with a Statement of Ac- Managers, declaring a Dividend, and elect prior to the 31st pay or Managers, declaring counts to the 31st December, 1890.

Ing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

Will be adjusted by the Office, and no The Transfer Books of the Company will The Transfer BOOKS of the Company Claims or Alterations will be subsequently be closed from the 16th to the 26th March, will be CLOSED from 15th to 30th Instant, admitted. both days inclusive.

> RUSSELL & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, March 12, 1891.

For Sale. FOR SALE.

Thoroughbred NEWFOUNDLAND DOG. Three Months Old. Apply to Contain Wilson, ship There by Public Auction, on -Hungkong, March 19, 1891.

FOR SALE. DOG CART and PONY, and ENGLISH HARNESS never used. This Pony is a perfect LADY'S HACK.

CAPTAIN GARDINER. Hougkong, March 19, 1891.

FOR SALE. MOLLARD AND COLLARD COTTAGE PIANO-Trichord-Iron Frame, built Doon, CHEST of DRAWERS, BUBEAU with

to stand climate-polished dark Oak Case- GLASS, and MARBLE TOP WASHSTAND. in First Rate Condition : can be seen on application to 3 A. H. OUGH, ISADALE, KOWLOON.

Hongkong, March 14, 1891. FOR SALE.

TO CLEAR. OHEAP! QUANTITY OF LADY'S WATER. PROOFS of different qualties, from \$2.50 each upwards.

G. R. LAMMERT, Duddell Street. Hongkong, March 13, 1891.

Notices of Firms. NOTIUE. WE Have This DAY OPENED a BRANCH of our Firm at HANKOW BRANCH of our Firm at HANKOW.

Hongkong, March 19, 1891. PACIFIC MAIL STEAM SHIP

COMPANY.

CARLOWITZ & Co.

NOTICE. TAURING my Absence from Hongkong: Mr. J. S. VAN BUREN takes CHARGE of the Business of the Company

as ACTING AGENT. CHAS. D. HARMAN, Hongkong, March 14th, 1981.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL STEAM SHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE. DURING my Absence from Hongkong, Mr. J. S. VAN BUREN takes CHARGE of the Bueiness of the Company as ACTING AGENT, CHAS. D. HARMAN,

Hongkong, March 14th, 1891. Intimations.

STRAITS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be OLOSED at HEAD OFFICE, SINGAPORE, from the 11th to the 26th March next, both days inclusive. ROBT. BAIRD.

Rongkong, February 26, 1891. THE PUNJOM AND SUNGHIE DUA SAMANTAN MINING COM-PANY, LIMITED

THE Fifth Ordinary Half-Yearly MEET ING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 9, Queen's Road, on TUESDAY, the 31st March, 1891, at 4 o'Clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts to the 30th September, 1899.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 30th Instant, both days inclusive. ___A. O'D. GOURDIN.

Hongkong, March 16, 1891. THE PUNJOM AND SUNGHIE DUA SAMANTAN MINING COM-PANY, LIMITED.

TOTICE is hereby given that an EX-Y TRAORDINARY MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Regist the supply of Fresh Provisions during the tered Office of the Company No. 9, Queen's entire voyage. A duly qualified Surgeon is Road, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 31st March, 1891, at 4.15 of the o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of considering and, if though fit, passing Resolutions to alter the Articles of Association by striking out paragraph 2 of article 6, and paragraph 5 of Article 13, and to authorize the Directors to increase the Capital of the Company by the issue of 60,000 New Shares of \$1 each. Further to authorize the Company to further increase its Capital from time to time to such amount as may be deemed expedient. - A Resolution will also be proposed authorizing the Directors to abandon or otherwise dispose of the Sunghie Dua Samantan property.

By Order of the Board, A. O'D. GOURDIN. Secretary. Hongkong, March 17, 1891.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE,

LIMITED ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1890. MONTRIBUTORS to the above OFFICE are requested to Furnish the Under-

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.. General Agents. UANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED. Hongkong, March 2, 1891.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION, [] HE Undersigned has received instruct tions from Captain HUNTER, to Sell

TUESDAY,

the 24th March, 1891, at 2.30 p.m., at his Residence, No. 4, Richard Terrace, THE WHOLE OF THE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c comprising:--

TAPESTRY COVERED DRAWING-ROOM SUITE MARBLE-TOP CENTRE TABLE, CHIMNEY GLASS, PICTURES, CURIO STAND and ORNA TEAK EXTENSION DINING TABLE, SIDE-BOARD and WHATNOT. CROCKERY, GLASS and PLATED-WARY. DOUBLE and SINGLE IRON BEDSTEADS, IRON COTS, DOUBLE WARDROBE with GLASS

ONE IRON FRAME COTTAGE PIANO, by HAARE. Catalogues will be issued .-

TERMS OF SALE .-- As customary. J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer. Hongkong, March 17, 1891.

PUBLIC AUCTION. TTHE Undersigned has received instruc L tions to Sell by Public Auction, on. WEDNESDAY.

p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road Contral,-(By Order of the Supreme Court of Hongkong) The Assets and Effects of the Firm of BROWN JONES & Co., and the Daylight. GOODWILL of the BUSINESS as a going concern, comprising the necessary and valuable Business of Undertakers carried on by the said Firm.

The Assets and Effects comprise HEARSES, HORSES and HARNESS, and all the other necessary PARA. PHERNALIA and TRAPPINGS for carrying on the Business of Under-Catalogues and Particulars and Condi-

tions of Sale may be obtained from the Undersigned, and from Messrs Johnson, STORES & MASTER, of the Supreme Court House. Solicitors for the Vendors. Orders to view may be obtained from the Undersigned. J. M ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer.

Shipping. Steamers. SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND

Hongkong, March 17, 1891.

YOKOHAMA. The Steamship Captain Jackson, will be despatched on or about the 23rd Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Hongkong, March 16, 1891. STEAM TO STRAITS & BOMBAY. (Calling at COLOMBO if sufficient inducement offers.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship Teheran. Captain C. D. Sams. P.N.R. will leave for the above places on WEDNESDAY, the 25th Inst., at Noon. E. L. WOODIN,

Superintendent. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, March 11, 1891. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE. The Co.'s Steamship W. Allison, Comm'der, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 25th Instant, The aftention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First-class Salcon and Cabins

are situated forward of the Engines

Second-class Passengers are berthed in the Poop. A Refrigerating Chamber ensure For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE Hongkong, March 17, 1891.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY. Taking Cargo and Pussengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW. CHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSZE.) The Co.'s Steamship Prometheus.

Captain WEBSTER, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 26th Instant, For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Hongkong, March 18, 1891. GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FOR LONDON FIA SUEZ CANAL The Steamship Captain Duke, will be despatched as above on or about the Sist Instant. This Steamer has superior Accommods. tion for Passongers, and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATRESON & Co. Shipping.

Steamers.

STEAM-TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGA.

SAKI AND KOBE. Passing through the INLAND SEA.) The P. & O. S. N. Co. s Verona,
Captain F. H. SRYMOUR. will leave for the above places TO-MOR-ROW, the 21st Instant, at Daylight.

E. L. WOODIN, P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, March 20, 1891. INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT.) (Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates

for NINGPO, CHEFOO, TIENTSIN. HANKOW and Ports on the YANGISZE.) The Co.'s Steamship Canton. Captain Serrae, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 21st Instant, at 3 p.m.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers. Hougkong, March 19, 1891. DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUL the 25th day of March, 1891, at 3 o'Clock The Co.'s Steamship Hailoong. Capt. BATHURST, will be despatched for the above Ports-on SUNDAY, the 22nd Instant, at

> For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, March 19, 1891.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG COLOMBO AND BOMBAY Having connection with Company's Mail Steamer to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID. Trieste, venice & fiume.

the 22nd Inst., at 10 c'clock, taking Cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA, MADRAS, . PERSIAN GULF, BLACK SEA, LEVANT AND ADRIATIC PORTS. Cargo will not be received on board after 3 p.m. prior to date of sailing. For further information as to Passage

Hongkong, March 12, 1891. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Co.'s Steamship Captain RILEY, will be despatched as above on Teucer. SUNDAY, the 22nd Inst., at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to

Hongkong, March 18, 1801. INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA. Captain STE. Unorx, will be despatched as above The Co.'s Steamship on WEDNESDAY, the 25th Instant, at

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA. The Co.'s Steamship Capt. J. B. MACMILLAN, will be despatched for the

For Freight or Passage, apply to GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.,

Hongkong, March 18, 1891. Sailing Vessels.

have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The 3/3 L.I.I. American Ship Goodwin, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

NOWREADY

By E. H. PARKER. Can be obtained from KRILY & WALKE at Shanghai and Hongkong, at LAND, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong, and at the

Hongkong, March 0, 1891.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

LIMITED.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

The Co.'s Steamship

Melpomenc,

Capt. A. Mirris, will be
despatched as above on

and Freight, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE Agents.

This Steamer has superior First-class Accommodation, specially constructed to meet the requirements of tropical climates.

Hongkong, March 17, 1891 NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

above Ports on SATURDAY, the 28th Inst.,

FOR NEW YORK The 3/3 L.1.1. American Ship Imperial. CROSEY, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will

Hongkong, January 31, 1891.

Hongkong, January 15, 1891.

PRIOR, \$1.00. COMPARATIVE CHINESE FAMILY CAW

462 China Mail Office.

Entertainments. ROYAL, CITY HALL. Under the distinguished alrowage of His Excellency the Governor Sir W. Des Yaus, K. C.M. G. Tonight, FRIDAY, March 20th. AND HER CONCERT PARTY, GRAND CONCERT CLASSICAL AND POPULAR MUSIC. MADAME PATEY WILL SING :-1. - Quando a ti Lieta ' (Faust)... 2. - Rocked in the Cradle of the \ Knight. POPULAR PRICES. Dress Circle and Stalls, \$2.00. Back Seats. - - - \$1.00. Soldiers and Sailors, half-price to Back Plan of Messrs, Kelly & Walsh's, LTD W. H. P. OLE, Manager. Hongkong, March 20, 1891. THEATRE ROYAL, between daily. All TO-MORROW (Saturday), 21st March. Under the distinguished Patromage of His EXCEPTENCY THE GOVERNOR, SIR G. WILLIAM DES VIEUX, K.C.M.G., and LADY DES VIEUX. MISS LOUISE JORDAN and ORIGINAL COMPANY, in HAMLET. CAST OF CHARACTERS M. J. H. Num. Mr G. C. MILN. Mr Joe Stork Mr W. J. Mont Horatio, a Scholar, Mr H. Hall. Rosencrantz Guildenstern Courtiers Mr A. Money. Miss D. Thacker.Mr H. Norman' Marcellus Mr L. Herbert. Bernardo Mr Jas. Brooke. Ghost of Hamlet's Father Mr Wilmot Eure Second Actor Miss R. Bowards. First Grave Digger Mr C. Edvott. Second Grave Digger ... Mr Chas, Clarke. Gertrude, Queen of Den- (Miss Kate Done mark qlas. Player QueenMiss Frances Ross. OPHELIA..... Miss LOUISE JORDAN. LORDS, LADIES, SOLDIERS, PLAYERS, PRIEST, &C. During the Burial of 'OPHELIA, au ORIGINAL DIRGE, Specially Composed for Mr. GEO. C. MILN, will be chanted by a number of Goutlemen Amsteurs. POPULAR PRICES :- 82 and \$1. Soldiers and Sailors Half-Price to Pit. Box Plan at Messre KELLY & WALSH'S. NOTICE the close of the Performance. Doors Open 8.30; Overture 8.50. Curtain Season see Hand Bills. Hongkong, March 20, 1891. By kind permission of Lieur.-Colonel

rises 9 o'clock prompt. For Progamme of ROYAL. CITY HALL THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

THE above CLUB will give a PERFORMANCE

MONDAY, March 30th, TUESDAY, March 31st, When will be produced an Original Comer-

by JAMES ALBERY, ontitled TWO ROSES.

CHATER and the OFFICERS, the BAND of the 1st Battn. Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders will perform during the evening. Tickets can be obtained from Messrs.

LANE. CRAWFORD & Co., on and after Moz. day, March 23rd, at 11 a.m. PRICE, - - - \$2 and \$1. Doors open at 8.30 p.m. Performance to commence at 9 o'Clock p.m.

Hongkong, March 16, 1891.

To-day's Advertisements.

SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SWATOW AND BANGKOK. The Company's Steamer

Somdetch Phra Nang, Captain R. Jones, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 24th For Freight or Passage, apply to

Hongkong, March 20, 1891. STEAM TO KOBE AND YOKOHAMA. (Calling at NAGASAKI if sufficient inducement offers.) The P. & O. S. N. Co.

Steamship ' Captain W. L. BROUN, will leave for the above places on or about FRIDAY, the 27th Instant, at Daylight. E. L. WOODIN. " Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office. Hongkong, March 20, 1891. FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ .-The Steamship

Captain BROOKER, will If sold, part of the I be despatched as above remain on Mortgage. on or about THURSDAY, the 2nd April. For Freight, apply to .

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Hongkong, March 20, 1891.

To-day's Advertisements.

MADE BY THE GOVERNOR IN COURCIL, UN-DER SECTION 5 OF ORDINANCE NO. 16

OF 1886, (THE STAMP ORDINANCE), THIS 14TH DAY OF MARCH, 1891. POSTAGE STAMPS of the value of Two CENTS may be used in lieu of Rerenne Stamps of the same value.

2. On and after the 1st day of July, 1891, the value of the STAMP required for RE-CEIPTS, etc., under Item. No. 32 of the Schedule to Ordinance No. 16 of 1886, shall be Two CENTS instead of Three Cents as at present.

A. M. THOMSON: Acting Clerk of Conneils. COUNCIL CHAMBER Hongkong

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION. INFORMATION has been received from MILITARY AUTHORITIES ARTILLERY PRACTICE will take place from Kowloon East Battery in South-Easterly and Westerly directions on the 23no INSTANT, and from the Batteries at Stonecutters' Island in a South-Westerly direction on the 24TH, 25TH and 26TH INSTANTS, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. All SHIPS, JUNES and other VESSELS are

CAUTIONED to keep clear of the Rauges. By Command, W-M. DEANE. Acting Volorial Secretary. COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Hongkong, March 19th, 1891.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY. In the Matter of EDUARDO BARROS, a Bankrupt.

NOTICE is hereby given that a MEET- | No. 38. ING of CREDITORS of Envario BARROS will be held before the REGISTRAR of the said Court, on THURSDAY, the 2nd day of April, 1891, at 11 o'Clock in the [wal be CLOSED to the Transaction of all Forenoon precisely, for the purpose of de- Public Business, but Work at the Opium claring a Dividend. CREDITORS who have not yet proved must

do so on or before the said 2nd day of April, 1891. Dated the 18th day of March, 1891 EDW. J. ACKROYD, Registrar.

SOCIÉTÉ FRANÇAISE DES CHARBONNAGES DU TONKIN.

> SOCIÉTÉ ANONYME, WITH A

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m JFRANCS}$ 4,000,004 I SSUE, authorized by the SH GREGOLDERS, of 6,000 DEBEN TUKES of \$100 each, unkerg a sum of \$500,000.

There have been issued 3,50 / BONDS of \$100 each, making a sum of \$350,000. APPLICATIONS will now be Received for the ISSUE of the BALANCE of 2,500 BONDS of \$ 00 each, making a sum

The DEBENTURES are payable on the 30th September, 1896, or on such earlier A SPECIAL THEATRE TRAM will leave the day us the principal monies thereby seemed Peak at 8.45 and return 15 minutes after shall become payable, in accordance with the conditions emborsed thereon. A Form of the Debenture can be seen at the BRASCH OFFICE of the Company at Hongkong. The DEBENTURES will be issued at Par for sums of \$100 each, and will carry Interest from the 1st day of April, 1891, at the rate of \$8 Per Cent. per annum, payable Half-Yearly on the 30th September, and the 31st March in each year, at the HEAD OFFICE at Hongay, or at the Branch Office of the Company at Hongkong, upon

presentation of Coupons annexed to the The PROPERTY of the Company has been conveyed to the Honourable CATCHICK PAUL CHATER as a Trustee for securing the Payment of the Principal Monies and

Interest payable in respect of the Deben-The sum of \$100 must be paid for each Debenture on allotment.

Failure to pay the sum due on allotiment will render the allotment liable to Cancella-Forms of Application may be obtained at the BRANCH OFFICE of the Company at

APPLICATIONS will CLOSE on SA TURDAY, the 28th March, 1891, at Noon. By Order of the Board of Directors, CARL GEORG.

Hongkong, March 19, 1891. NOTICE.

THE STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED.

TIME Fourth Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Office, No. 9, Praya Central, on TUESDAY, the 31st March, 1891, at 4 p.m.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 23rd to 31st Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order, A. G. GORDON & Co., LTr., Managers Hongkong, March 20, 1891.

TO BE LET NOW. NTO. 3. WILD DELL BUILDINGS, Wanchai Road 5-Rooms .- Rent \$30. A Comfortable Family HOUSE in RICH-MOND TERRACE; occupied by Mr. J. D. HUMPHREYS for many Years.

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JOHN A. JUPP. Building Company, Ld. Hongkong, October 4, 1800.

Business Notices.

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SHIPMENT

UILTS, DIAPERS INDIA LONG CLOTHS. LINEN and COTTON SHEETINGS

Samples and Prices on Application.

New Premises, opposite Connaught House.

Vessels Advertised as Loading. Date of Leaving. Destination Norddeutscher Lloyd, April 11, at 11 a.m. Bromen & Ports of Callidachsen (s)...... P. & O. S. N. Co March 27, daylight Kobé and Yokohama. Thibet (a)........ Butterfield & Swire ... March 22, at noon. London, v. Suez Canal Teucer (s)...... Jardine, Matheson & Co About March 31. London, v. Suez Canal Glenogle (s)...... Mossageries Muritimes March "5, at noon. Margoilles, v. Saigon, Natal (s)...... Admison, Bell & Co... About March 23. N'saki, Kobé & Y'hama Brec mshire (a)..... Geo. R. Stevens & Co. March 28, at 5 p.m. N'anki, Kobé&Y'hama Miike Maru (s)... Butterfield & Swire ... March 25. Port Darwin, &c. _.... Tsinan (8) March 24, daylight. Pacific Muil S. S. Co. April 2, at 1 p.m. S Francisco, v. Japan/China (8)..... Quick despatch. ...Russell & Co...... San Francisco......Sterling..... Jardine, Matheson & Co March 21, at 3 p.m. Canton (s) ..

Douglas Lapraik & Co March 22, daylight. Swatow, Amoy & T'aui Hailoong (s)... Swatow and Bangkok, Somdetch Phra Nang(8) Yuen Fat Hong...... March 24, at 3 a m. Vancouver (B.C. A. & : Empress of India (s)... Canadian P'fic R. Co., April 7, at noon.

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION. YN FRIDAY NEXT, the 27th Instant, I that being Good Friday, this OFFICE Hulk and Stations will proceed as usual. J. McLEAVY BROWN, Commissioner of Customs, for Kowloon and District

Shanghai, via Amoy... Promo heus (s)...

Straits, C'b & B'bay. Melpom ne (s).

Straits and Bombay.... Toheran (s)......

S'pore, Penang & O'tta Wingsang (8)

CUSTOM HOUSE, Kowloon, 20th March, 1891. STOCKBROKERS' ASSOCIATION OF

HONGKÓNG. IN TO CONTRACTS for SHARES of the BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN AND THE STRAITS (late Trust and Loan Company of China Japan and the Straits) maturing on 25TH INSTANT For the convenience of the concerned the

Committee of the above Association have appointed SATURDAY, the 4th Proximo. as a sp. cial Settling day for the New Issue: W. H. YOUNG. Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, March 20, 1891.

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VINOLIA SOAP Contains extra Cream instead of free soda and potash, which eat into and shrivel the skin, hair and nails. It is also dealkalized and dehydrated. For the Toilet, Nursery, THE SOAP OF THE AGE.

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,, per doz. tablets..\$2.50. Vinofia Cream......\$0.60, \$1.20, \$2.50. Vinolia Powder .\$0.70, \$1.25, \$3.00. Nos. 22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. March 20, 1891 .-Sishan, British steamer. 845, E. F.

Stovell, Saigon March 15, 5.20 a.m., Rice, Paddy, Fish, &c. - CHINESE. Taichiow, British str., 862, R. Unsworth Bangkok March 12, and Koh si chang 13, General. -YUEN FAT HONG.

DEPARTURES. March 20 :- . Phra Nawy, for Bangkok, Protos, for Saigan. Haitan, for Swatow. Keemun, for Singapore an London. Tetarlos, for Singapore. Riv rsdale, for Nagasaki. General Werder, for Yokohama. Sachsen, for Shanghai.

Yungching, for Shanghai. Sterlie, for San Francisco. Nanshan, for Holhow.

PASSENGERS. ARRIVED. Per Sisken, from Saigon, 30 Chinese. Per Taichiow, from Bangkok, Mr Clifford, and 1 Chinese.

DEPARTED. Per Haitan, for Swatow, Mr J. Bosshard, The Austin Arms Hotel and Mr and Mrs Chun Ah Soo and child; for Amoy, Dr E. Bedloo, Messrs C. H. Best 2262 and S. Darby; for Foochow, Mr and Mrs

C. Popoff, Messra H. Jaeger and A. Rassadin, and Captain Li Ho. Per Phra Nang, for Bangkok, 12 Chinese. Per Protos, for Suigon, 60 Chinese,

Butterfield & Swire March 26.

Jardine, Mathoson&Co March 25, at 3 p.m.

D. Sassoon, Sons & Co. Mar. 22, at 10 a.m.

. P. & O. S. N. Co. ... March 25, at noon.

Per Telurios, for Singapore, 345 Chinese. To DEPART. Per Yungching, for Shanghai, 8 Chinese. Per Nanshan, for Hothow, 100 Chinese.

Per Keeman, for Singapore, 2 Europeans

SHIPPING REPORTS. The British steamer Sishan reports: Rounded Cape St. James 15th March, 10.53 a.m.; Cape Padaran 16th, 3.00 a.m., mode-569 rate and fresh breeze to the 17th, when strong breeze set in accompanied with head

sea, which continued to the Islands when foggy weather was experienced, passed Green Island 20th March, 0.45 a.m. The British steamer Taichiow reports: Left Bangkok on the 12th, and Koh-sichang on the 13th March; from there to Pulo Obi moderate S.E. wind and fine weather; from Pulo Obi to Paracels, modes rate to light wind and cloudy weather; from there to 100 mil s from port, light Easterly wind with high N.E. swell, and

dense foggy weather. POST OFFICE NOTICES. MAILS will close:-

For SHANGHAL --Per Yung Ching, at 11.30 a.m., on Saturday, the 21st inst., instead of as proviously notified. Per Canton, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday,

- the 2 lat inst. For SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUL Per Hailoong, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 21st inst.

For HOIHOW & SINGAPORE. Per Nanshan, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 21st inst., instead of as previously notified. For AMOY,-Per Tui Lee, at 8.30 a.m., on Sunday, the

22nd inst. For STRAITS & BOMBAY.-Per Teheran, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday. the 25th inst. For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA

Per Milke Maru, at 4.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 28th inst. Quotations. Hongkong, March 20, 1891. OPIUM-New Patua, cash.... 400-New Benares, cash, 465

New Malwa cash, .. 490 Allowance, Taels ... 48/64 Old Malwa, cash,... 500/530 Allowance, Taels ... 16/32 Persian, Oily, cash, 450/70 Allowance, Taels ... 32/48 Persian. Paper tied 420/40 Allowance, Taels.... 64/80 Exchange. HONGKONG, March 20.

On London -On demand. 30 days' sight, ... -4 months' sight, ... 3/24 Oredits, 4 Documentary, 4months' sight, 3/31 On Paris -On demand, 4.62

Credits, 4 months' sight, ... 4.11 On demand, 3.22 On New York-On demand. Credits, 60 days sight, ... 792 On Bombay-On demand, On Calcutta-Wire, 220 On demand. On Shanghai-On demand, ... 713 30 days' sight, private paper, 722 Gold Leaf, 100 fine \$32.60p tae Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)\$ 6.18

General Memoranda. SUNDAY, March 22:-Goods per Chingwo undelivered after this date subject to rent. Monday, March 23:-

3 p.m.-Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd., at Company's Office. Goods por Borneo undelivered after this date subject to rent. this date subject to rent. Transfer Books of The Steam Lanne

ugsday, March 24 :--2,30 p.m.—Auction of Household Farni ture, &c., at the Residence of Captain Huntor, No. 4, Richmond Terrace. Goods per Macduff undelivered after this date subject to rent. 9 p.m .- Performance at the City Hall,

Instant, inclusive.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW. Shipping. Daylight .- Verona leaves for Japan. 3 p.m. - Canton leaves for Shanghai. Weeting.

11 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at the General Agents-Office. Miscellaneous. 9 s.m. -Artillery Practice.

1.30 p.m. -Hongkong Schools' Athletic 3.30 p.m.—Competition of the Hongkong Rifle Association. Amusements.

9 p.m. - Performance at the City. Hall.

BY APPOINTMENT. A. S. WATSON & COM-PANY, LIMITED.

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them to the ordinary size. COAST PORT ORDERS, whenever practicable, are despatched by over the fact that if the demand for the first steamer leaving after receipt of order. FOR COAST PORTS, Waters are packed and placed on board ship at Hongkong defence is a just one, the treatment, prices, and the full amount allowed for although it might justify them in declining Packages and Empties when received good order. Counterfoil Order Books supplied on

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2291 Hongkong China, and Manila. The publication of this issue commenced

a 8.05 p.m.

The China Itail

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 1891. AMID the cloud of words in which the ques- might be found in the gross rental in the instant, at 5.30 p.m. tion of the increased military contribution | United Kingdom, which is estimated at was enveloped at yesterday's meeting of something like £220,000,000 and the gross Council, it is somewhat difficult to discri- rental of land and houses in Hongkong, minate the real issues involved. The Go- but there are many qualifying circumvernor overlooked the fact that what the stances that must be taken into considera-£20,000 which had been voted about 12 revenue in Hongkong than it does in Engmonths ago on the distinct understanding land. that the garrison was to be increased. The

1890 on an entirely different basis.

white troops was a pure misapprehension gles of a pioneer colony burdened, as on the part of the Colonial Office. The Fleming hints at, with a great civilising War Office authorities never had any in- mission towards the vast dark empire of tention to send another British regiment to Chins, the insecurity of our position as Hongkong. They had a vague intention distributing centre, and the fact that we have Goods per Wingsang undelivered after to despatch an Indian regiment, and they absolutely no voice in the expenditure of to lead us to believe that the regiment was to be sent forthwith and so as to induce us to pay without a murmur the increased contribution and leave the way open for further demands. When, however, the in less than a week. - Indianapolis Ram's

Council attempted to bind them down to Hora.

specific promises the authorities shifted their ground at once, and said 'We want the increased contribution; what we said about augmenting the garrison has nothing to do with the subject; £10,000 is only fair contribution towards the defence you already get.' This is a way of doing business which may be consistent with diplomacy, but is scarcely consistent with com-

mon honesty. At the same time, while we are quite willing to endorse every word Mr Whitehead said in condemnation of the procedure of the War Office, we must admit there is some force in what the Governor said about the ultimate issue

involved-namely, Is the demand for an increased contribution, without an increase of the garrison, a just one per sel This issue ought to have been considered in December last when the vote of £40,000 for 1891 was placed before the Council, for by that time the promise of an immediate increase of the garrison had been withdrawn and the question before the Council then was-is £40,000 a fair contribution to the defence of the Empire under existing circumstances. We think it is a pity that the unofficial members did not fairly face this question and bring forward solid arguments to show that the demand for £40,000, plus the other large direct and the indirect contributions, and the utmost care and cleanliness are is unfair. Instead of doing that the unofficials took up the attitude offended honour; they, to use a somewhat We continue to supply large bottles vulgar word, 'funked.' Now there was

undoubtledly some excuse for their adopting this attitude, for they had been shamefully treated, but it is impossible to get double contribution on the present basis of to pay the second £20,000 for 1890, extorted under false pretences, did not justifythem in permanently refusing to pay a just claim. Therefore we come back to the real point which underlies the question of the permanent military contribution and which even has considerable bearing on the special question discussed at last meeting-the revote of the £20,000 for 1890.—Is £40,000

a fair contribution, taking all other payments, direct and indirect, into consider. The Nippon Yusen Kaisha's new steamer ation? We have endeavoured on several occasions to show that it is excessive; but we must confess that the figures at our disposal are not so full as to warrant absolutely definite conclusions. Governor Des Vœux THE Golf match announced the other day says he thinks the sum is not excessive, but has been unavoidably postponed till Saturhe brings forward no figures in support of his argument. It is very difficult to establish a comparison between the wealth of this colony-a very indefinite quantity-and the wealth of England; but if the unofficial members, or the Chamberof Commerce, would, before the public meeting is called, gather up all the information that can be got, they might be 4th Page. able to bring forward some convincing proof of the unfairness of the demands THE Superintendent of the P. & O. S. N. made upon the Colony by the Imperial Co. informs us that the P. & O. s. s. Lomauthorities. One basis of comparison bardy left Bombay for this port on 18th

Moyune, from London and Liverpool, left. Council was called upon to do was to revote tion. Rental represents a bigger share of There is no use attempting to establish unofficials said then to the Imperial Go, an artificial division between Colonial and vernment :- You are to give us increased Imperial interests in Hongkong. We are security; we are grateful for it, and to show an integral part of the empire, and the welour application of your conduct, we will- fare of each is so bound together that a THE changes in the Share List to-day are as

ingly agree to pay £40,000 instead of £20,000 separation is impossible. In this respect follow: - Macao Steamboats, \$366, cash, a year towards the defence of the empire.' we occupy a totally different position from sales; China Sugars, \$211 cash; Luzons, They now say :- You have not kept faith | that occupied by the large self-governing | \$105, cash ; Trust and Loan, \$181; with us; the garrison has not been in- colonies. In their case, it may be an easy Tramways, \$60; Borneo Stores, \$50. creased, it has even been diminished; we matter to estimate the value of services will not pay for benefits we have not re- rendered. In the case of Hongkong, it is WE learn that the British barque Africa, ceived. Their position is logically consist as impossible to do so as it is impossit while lying at auchor wind-bound off Cape tent. They could not agree to the vote ble to estimate the services rendered by St James, was run into by the French Mail submitted to them yesterday, without the empire to Portemouth or London, steamer Caledonien. The barque lost some openly declaring that the resolutions they It is for this reason that we think the un- headgear and her jibboom; while the mail passed about twelve months ago, setting officials are not wise in making the military boat was raked fore and aft on the port forth the reasons which led them to acquiesce vote depend altogether on the amount of side, and her mainmast was broken in two. in the increase, were meaningless and in- service rendered to Hongkong, as it gives The Africa, which had been into Saigon. sincere. The position they then took up the Imperial authorities a pretext for mak- was bound to Haiphong with part cargo. was practically this: '£20,000 (plus what is ing us pay for all the whime they may take being paid directly for forts and indirectly into their heads to carry out in Hongkong, The opening performance by Mr G. C. Milu for many other things) is an ample con- and it increases the difficulty of combating and his large dramatic company will take tribution for the amount of protection their plea that the Colony ough; to pay a place to morrow evening, when Hamlet A we receive; if you increase the protect large share if not the whole of the money will be played. As it is not often Hongtion, we will increase the contribut spent in the defence of the Colony. The kongites have the opportunity of seeing tion part passes. Now, we do not say true attitude is this -We are willing to pay | Shakapearian plays placed before them by a that this is the wisest attitude to assume; our fair share, on the basis of the wealth of company with the numerical strength and but it was the one assumed when the vote the place, of the expenditure incurred for reputation of Mr. Miln's company, a large was first passed, and the unofficials were the defence of the empire, and in estimat- audience is a certainty. only carrying out the policy they had all ing that share account must be taken of all along followed, when they strennously re- the moneys paid for defensive purposes and sisted the attempt to obtain the money for of the peculiar privileges enjoyed by the military in the Colony. If the question is No one, not even the Governor, has a approached in this way, we think it will be 30th just. There are 31 Competitions, ingood word to say for the War Office. We found that £40,000, in all, would be about acquit that department of a wilful attempt a fair share; and in stating this sum, we good weather the meeting ought to be a to deceive, and we are willing to believe leave out of account all such sentimental successful one. There are separate Aggrethat what was stated about the despatch of considerations as are involved in the strug

thought it clever diplomacy to put forward the money we vote. Perhaps we may be Co., Ltd., closed from this date to 31st this intention in a most attractive form so as able to give some figures in support of our contention at an early date. You can pick out a dozen people in every

community who would demoralize Heaven

TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL.

(Via Southern Line.) MR GLADSTONE'S CRITICISMS. LONDON, 18th March.

Mr Gladstone, speaking at Hestings, expressed himself satisfied with the Marquis of Salisbury's Foreign Policy, but severely criticised finance. He declared his adherence to the Home Rule programme.

LOCAL AND GENERAL PASSED SURZ CANAL. OUTWARD BOUND :- Delta, Feb. 20; Glenfrain, 24; Malwa, Moyane, Maria Teresa, Oceana, 27; Djemnah, Titan, Yungping, March 3; Northern, 6 Achilles, Chingping, 10.

MEWARD BOUND :- Palamed. Feb. 13:

Lacrtes, 17 : Resperia, 24; Anchiess, ...

Glenearn, 27; Ajax, Diomed, Glentyon, March 3; Kriemhild, 6; Bayern, Saghalien, Pingmey, 10. The Canadian Pacific s. s. Empress of India left England on the 8th Feb., passed the Canal on the 24th Feb., and may be expected here on or about March

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s. s. China, with the AMERICAN MAIL of Feb. 26th, left Yokohama on Tuesday, 17th March at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 23rd March. The Canadian Pacific s. s. Parthia, from

Vancouver, left Yokohama for Bongkong via ports on March 13. The Austro-Hung. L. S. N. Co.'s atesmship Melpomene, from Bombay, left Singapore for this port on March-15th, and

may be expected here on or about the 21st March. The Shire Line s. s. Breconshire, from London, &c., left Singapore on 16th March, and may be expected here on

or about the March 22. The Union Line s.s. Glenmorven left Singapore on the 17th March, and may be expected here on or about March 23rd. The P. and O. Co.'s steamship Venetia left Singapore on March 17th, afternoon, and may be expected here on or about March 23.

The O. S. S. Co.'s s s. Prometheus, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 18th March, and may be expected here on or about the 25th March. The China Shippers Mutual S. N. Co.'s

s.s. Mounte, from London and Liverpool, left Singapore on 19th March. and may be expected here on or about the 25th March. Hiroshima Maru, from London and Middlesbro', left Singapore on March

19th, and may be expected here on or about March 25th. The P. & O. steamer Lomburdy left Bombay for this port on 18th March.

day, the 28th inst. A 'LADIES' Concert' will be given by the Hongkong Musical Club in St. Gaorge's

THE Report for 1890 of the Water and Drainage Department will be found on our

Hall on Thursday, 9th April.

THE China Shippers Mutual Co.'s steamer

Singapore for this port on the 19th inst. and may be expected here on or about the Messes Geo. R. Stevens & Co. inform us that the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's new steamer Hiroshima Mari, from London

and Middlesbro', left Singapore yesterday

Tun usual Easter Meeting of the Hongkong Rifle Association will be held on Friday, Saturday and Monday, the 27th, 28th and cluding Aggregates, to come off, and with Service, Police, Navy and Army (Officers), Navy and Army (other than Commissioned Officers), and All comers. It is hoped that there will be a good number of entries under each of these heads, as all of them are open to all comers. The programme will ba given to-morrow.

A MEAN man is never happy. THE most contemptible are generally the most contemptuous - Fielding. CHARITY should frequently begin at other people's homes. THE most humble men in the world knows of suggestions he would like to offer the Lord .- Atchison Globs.

Co.'s launches. The vessel, it appears, is as the Company, the only wise course was t are now on the island. The Chinese passengers have also been landed. steamer early this evening in the Dock hostile from the Co.'s tug-boat Pilot Fish, and application has been made to the Naval authorities to sond a vessel for the purpose of protecting the Nanzino.

ENGLISH CAPITAL IN TONKIN. M. BAVIER CHAUFFOUR ON HIS DEFENCE.

WE have received from the Société Francuise des Charbonnages du Tonkin copy of a letter sent by M. Bavier Chauffour, membered that in November last a discussion took place in the French Chamber of for election were duly elected. Deputies on the action of the Colonial Government of Indo-China in allowing the Charbonnages Company to land at Hongay, duty free, railway material purchased in England. M. Clemenceau, the leader of a section of the Radical party in the Chamber, led the attack, which was afterwards taken up by the newspaper he inspires. La Justice. In its article on the subject our Paris contemporary made serious charges—serious at any rate in the opinion of most Frenchmon-against M. Bavier Chauffour. It is to these charges | laid between America and Japan via Hothat the letter now replies. The first accusation is the employment of English capital. Colonies are regarded in France for telegraph messages, but I hardly think solely as dumping grounds for French goods and fields for French capital. these things do not agree with the health | the competition of the land lines in force of the colony, or if they cannot be had in between this and Europe, which are less mon the Imperial revenue of Great Britain. sufficient quantity to satisfy its wants, so expensive and less costly to keep up. The much the worse for the colony. Rather let | next subject that we treat upon in our it perish than that foreign nations should report is the additional article to the derive any benefit therefrom. It is al- Chefoo Convention and the opening of most impossible to persuade Frenchmen | Chungking. The flasco that has deveof the suicidal character of this ultra-selfish loped through this ephemeral convention policy. M. Bavier Chauffour tries to do is a matter of the deepest regret for so, but we do not suppose he will have much | the commercial public. I do not think we | 1 success. He says in his letter that owing | should blame H. M. Minister at Peking | have been merged in the general revenue to the distrust of Tonkin which prevails in | for want of success, for no doubt he has in-France, he was obliged to fall back on structions from the Home Government and pointed out wherein a lighthouse board English capital, that the Colony has already | he has to follow them. Still after the conbenefited by the enterprise created thereby | vention opening trade to Chungking was and will bonefit much more when the mines | granted it seems very regrettable that it are in operation, that of the three million should have been whittled down, so that france expended two millions were spent in only native boats, although owned by the colony itself and one in France, and foreigners, can be employed. This apthat not a farthing went to England until | pears to be retrogression with a vengeance. it became necessary to purchase railway I do not think that the outcome redounds They would have shown to each successive material. All the personnel, engineers and at all to the credit of the British Govern- Governor that the original levy was made overseers, to the number of 100, he goes on ment. My own opinion is that the special to say, are French, and they all travelled | privileges that we are supposed to have got by the French mail steamers. He might | will amount to very little, that they will have added that the company had suffered | not tend to tap the trade of this important a great precuniary loss by conforming district about which we were so hopeful. to this patriotic policy, but he is doubtless It also appears to me that the Imperial Govtoo much of a Frenchman himself to admit | erument of China have little ability to conthis. And perhaps he might not have trol those officials at a distance fr in Peking. been far wrong had be declared that those Owing to the obstacles apparently thrown who shared in the three millions expended in the way by these native authorities at have derived as much benefit out of the a distance the possibility of trade has been concern as the English investors are likedestroyed and it strikes me that if the ly to do for some years to come; for he British Government had shown greater speaks (in January of this year) of still firmness on this matter with the central some months (encore quelque mois) elapsing before the galleries are in full activity and coal is obtained in large quantities. Encore quelque mois' has been the re-

of the railway material purchased only was Mr Bavier but he actually spent a little of this duct is edifying. In the month of June being given to the Company's representparticularly the Societé In September offers were from Paris and London. its own interests. Leaving out of account the rails, the sleepers and the carriages, offered from London; the times of delivery and the prices of which were much more favourable, M. Bavier Chauffour draws parthe English and French terms for the locomotives required. The only French works and Société Alsacienne de Construction. advantage in accepting any of the French offers that the material would have been sent in a piece-meal fashion, rails from one side, sleepers from another and carriages and would have to be transhipped at Saigon; whereas the London agent offered the timated from the previous collections at member was at the table he-thought he whole material on bloc, to be delivered in about \$7,000, making the total collection must request him to vote.

THE STEAMER NANZING ASHORE. | 60 days after receipt of the order and to be | for the year, in round numbers. \$71,000. The steamer Nanzing, from Manila, went | sent by a direct steamer and laid down free ashore to-day on Great Lamma Island. on the quay at Hongay. The acceptance News of the casualty was brought to the of the French offer meant delaying the Colony this evening by the second officer, whole work at Hongay 10 months, and M. who got to Abor 'een in a fishing junk and Bavior Chauffour argues that as Tonking came to Victoria in one of the Dock would have suffered from the delay asswell ly to suffer much damage. The European the Government's action in giving up the passengers, of whom there were mine duties was only supported by a majority of on board - some of them ladies - 17 in the Chamber of Deputies, he declares were taken off the steamer and that the Company is now ready to pay the said duties. The letter ends with a verystrong denial of all sympathy on the part Mr Gillies, Secretary of the Dock Co., and of M. Jules Ferry in the enterprise of the Capt. G. C. Anderson were to leave for the Company, to which that statesman was

> THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. The annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was held this afternoon. Mr E. Mackintosh presided, and there were also present : Hon. J. J. Keswick, Hon. P. Ryric, Mr W. H. Forbes, Mr. Hoppius, and Mr R. M. Gray, members of the Consulting Committee, and Hon. T. H. Whitchead, Messra G. Wieler, Granville

The companies and individuals proposed

The Chairman—The Committee's remany features of very great interest, but there are some subjects which I think will merit attention at your hands. The first subject is the Convention between the Chinese Government and the Tolograph Companies. This convention, I am happy to sav is. I think, not only scotched but killed. We see from the public prints that it is contemplated that a line of cable should be nolulu. This will eventually help, I hope, to cheapen the rates that are charged that we shall be on an economical platform If as regards cost of messages until we have

authority that we should have attained the rights and the concessions that were granted under this convention. I may say that I frain of a good many reports. Then we come to the question British trade with China was not built up by such vacillating and weak policy However the matter is finished and we must just accept the inevitable. The next Chaqifour so indiscrete as to obtain English point we refer to is the Trade Marks capital to aid in the development of Tonkin, Ordinance. Notwithstanding the recommendation of your committee the Governcapital in England. The explanation he they have not the machinery to carry it out. gives of this atrociously unpatriotic con- This appears to me to be a considerable waste of energy. The paragraph about emigration of coolies from Swatow to British | Ryrie. last year offers of material were solicited North Borneo touches an explanation that from France and England, instructions, is due to H. B. M. Consul at Swatow, In the correspondence in our last report we fauched on this subject and we appeared to ative in Paris, M. Henry Rouen, to give have given the Consul a certain amount of the preference to French houses and to umbrage, or rather he took exception to it. Colonial Secretary presiding. I may say that notwithstanding this socalled free emigration from Swatow not a Alsacienne de Construction Mécaniques single native can be despatched to British North Borneo under the British flag al-Those from London were so much more from the Imperial Government of China. Victoria College was held over from the advantageous that the Company could not, of arranging for regular departures to take previous meeting in order that further inpass them over without seriously injuring the favoured-nation clause Great Britain is whether due consideration had been given ticular attention to the difference between would gladly accept any of the restrict arose from a petition sent home by the children of the late H. L. Mather, second was not finally settled. I met you in the Minhingett in connection with that trans. that the mortality has been small. Very which offered machines were the establish- the light-house board. This is a subject of State has been pleased to approve of the salary for three years' service, but he Minhinnett on account of Mr Webber. I wanted comething on account. I sent him persons, and those who could not have ments, Cruesot, Compagnie de Fives-Lille Which engressed the attention of your com- petition with the small modification that in this case it was borrowed \$19,000 from Mr. Minhimmett, and a cheque for \$300, which was the amount proper care and food. I have twice visited The first wanted 8 to 9 cessive Governors. I will have to trouble to year until the maximum is reached. I would be granted by the Secretary of State, Minhimsett any money on account of Mr him by paying \$500 on account of out to die are received. During the first months, the second 10 months, and the you with some figures on this point that have therefore to move that the same time precautious would be Webber. I paid Mr Webber \$1200, for the loan, I sent the \$500 at once. Chinese month about one hundred of this will present the matter in a practical \$1,800 be voted. third 9 months to a year, to deliver three form. According to a return furnilocomotives. There was the additional dis- shed by the Government there was \$8,119.99. On the 1st April the dues were | against all increases. increased and from that date to the 30th. On the vote being put a division took stand this man had served the Government November the dues collected under the place. increased tariff were \$56,117.64. making a! The Registrar General asked if he was and locomotives from different quarters, total for the 11 months of \$64,237.63. compelled to vote, or if he could remain. There is one month more to complete the neutral.

during each twelve months that these increased dues are in force a revenue \$85,000 will be collected, ar that at the end of 1892 the total receipts will be made up to about \$241,000 in three years. Now i we turn also to a report furnished by the Government we find that the cost of the upkeep of the lighthouses, not including the Gap Rock, is \$6,600 a year not hadly ashore and we believe is not like- give the orders to England. As, however, the Gap Rock, will not be completed this year. This will make the outlay \$19.800 for the three years. I do not cheve that the Cap Rock can be finished and in working order until, say February or March next year. If we add to that an expenditure for the upkeep of the Gap Rock of \$4,200, which should be ample and then add the cost of the Gno Rock \$160,000, and put for the connecting cable we recommend \$70,000, we have total disbursement of \$254 0 0. Now the whole of this sum, with a tinued levy, will be repaid end of February or March 1893. think I need hardly point out that the success, the prosperity, the welfare of this colony depends solely upon its shipping In fact shipping is its lifeblood. There is no doubt about it. Our landed property, our evenue from land and everything of the kind is subservient to shipping. Our very hopes of becoming a manufacturing centre n the future depends upon our shipping. Each vessel that passes through this harbour adds to the revenue of the members of the commercial society to an extent that would hardly be credited by Director General of the Company, to the Sharp, de Champeaux, L. Poesnecker, and the casual observer. I maintain therefore the world as an absolutely free port (Applause.) The success of our contemplated manufacturing industries wil depend upon our facilities to receive and despatch products at the cheapest Pending what he feared might still be rates to all parts of the world. These levies of light-dues are most unerringly ear marked. They are levied for a special and other departments, it was though purpose. To collect more than is abso-Intely necessary for the capital cost of these light-houses or for their upkcep, is dis- tral position as that occupied by the Post tinctly bad. At home, I think I am right with expenditure. In fact I believe that every year an independent board makes calculation of what the penditure a reduction is made so as to a month. bring about an equilibrium of revenue and expenditure. I may say also that I have seen it stated that there is a strong movement at Home to abolish the collection of

On a similar bosis we may take it that

Mr Ryrie-In America there are no light The Chairman—What have we done here? We have levied dues since the institution of light-houses in 1875, to the end of 1889 sufficient not only to extinguish the capital coatrof the light-houses but to build up a fund the interest on which, if the money were invested, would pay for the upkeep all the light-houses in perpetuity. am sorry to say that the duer so that they are lost to the community. His Excellency asked that it should be could do better than the Government has done. It is herein that the Government have done ill. A board such as your Com, mittee proposed would have brought forcibly to the nutice of the Governor and the Government the alienation of funds that has been going on for the past 16 years. They would have, more persistently than has been done in the past, shown the unwisdom of this procedure. on the distinct understanding that when the original cost of the light-houses was renaid the dues were to be reduced. When the question of the imposition of the dues to pay for the Gap Rock light was before the Council, His Excellency for himself recognised the justice of the reduction of the tariff when the capital cost was liqui-Will his successor recognise his viaws on the subject? Thope that from the institution of a light house board there will develop a harbour board. I find no fault with the officials, but how can they be expected to know accurately the wants of trade? I hope the new committee will take up the question, which I think is one of the first importance to this colony. Mr Mackintosh spoke at considerable length on several other subjects toucled upon in the report, such as Sunday labour the reduction of postage &c. He a'so referred to the Namoa piracy and the trade of the colony, denouncing very strongly the gambling spirit which prevailed. A full report of this concluding part of his speech and of the rest of the meeting will be Sharp also spoke, the latter referring in very strong language to the gambling mania.

Mr Mackintosh was re-elected Chairman and Mr Keswick was elected Vice Chairman. The following committee was elected, ment thought fit to pass the law although enable: -Messrs W. H. Forbes, R. M. Gray, H. Hoppius, F. de Bovis, C. J. Holliday, Hon. J. J. Keswick, E. Mackintosh, St. C. Michaelsen, Hon, P.

> FINANCE COMMITTEE. A meeting of the Finance Committee was held after the Council meeting, the Acting

THE SACARIES OF THE MASTERS OF VICTORIA The Chairman-Hon, members will rethough the Dutch Government has the pri- member that a minute recommending a vilege, presumably under some concession | vote for additional pay to the masters of place from Swatow to Sumatra. Under quiry might be made. A doubt arose as to entitled to the same privileges, but ap- to the matter of quarters. It has been parently they are not given. The offi- found that consideration has been given to cials appear to be unable to obtain that point, and therefore there is no undue such facilities for British North Borneo, increase in the amounts recommended by although the country is clammering for the Secretary of State. The history of this this particular class of debour. I think vote is that the \$1,830 for the increase of the colory of British North Borneo salaries of the masters of V ctoris College passionate allowance to the widow and talk of going into partnership, but the thing impression is that I did not see Mr country, but of a mild type, and I believe tions or regulations that have been granted masters last year asking that they should lighthouse keeper, to the Dutch Government in order to ob. be allowed the same rise as the other mem. The Chairman said this amount was kinson, my solicitor, was present. I did until I had a letter from Mr Webber on have come under my notice. Those I have

The Colonial Treasurer seconded. March: a period of three months, on increasing selevies too. I will vote \$60 or \$70 to the recipients of the grant.

year. The return for that may be es- The Chairman said that as the hon.

The votes were recorded as follows :-

AGAINST. The Surveyor Concrel Hon. T. H. White-The Registrar General The Colonial Treasurer Hon. He Kai-The Attorney General Hon, J.J. Keswick Hon: C. P. Chater Hon, P. Ryrie The vote was therefore passed. STUDENT INTERPRETERS.

A vote of \$960 for the salaries of two Student Interpreters at \$40 per month each in accordance with the scheme pub lished in Government notification, 209, of 4th May, 1889, was passed.

THE PEAK WATER SUPPLY, The next vote was one of \$2,800, as supplementary vote for the Peak Water Supply, being additional expenditure consequent on modifications recommended by Mr Chadwick in the hydraulic motor and pump required for the Peak water works. The Chairman said no one could d'subl that it was most essential a proper water supply should be afforded to the Penk, and he did not think there could be any objection to this vote, proposed as it was on the strong recommendation of Mr Chadwick. the consulting engineer. Vote passed.

COMPASSIONATE ALLOWANCE. A sum of \$600 was voted as a compassion ate allowance to the widow and children the late Inspector Swanston, of the Hongkong Police Force.

THE POSTMASTER GENERAL'S QUARTERS. The next vote was one of \$840, as at allowance for quarters for the Postmaster-General during the current year, at \$70 a

The Chairman said hon, members would that it is the first duty of every colonist | be aware that since last year the Treasury to attract as far as he possibly can and not had been established as a reparate branch repel shipping. If possible we should do and that the office of Treasurer was now away with all official charges, and let combined with that of the Collector of the place be widely known through Stamp Revenue, and it became absolutely necessary to provide extra accommodation for the work of the Treasury, the old accommodation being found too confined for the extended work of the department the far distance, the erection of proper Government offices for the Colonial Treasurer more advantageous for the public generally that the Treasury should be in such a con-Office rather than that the suite of rooms in stating that they endeavour as far as above the Post Office should be occupied they possibly can to assimilate income by the Postmaster-General as a residence. On a valuation of the rooms as offices it was thought they would be worth at least \$300 a month. The Government therefore conincome will be, based on the previous year's sidered they were making rather a good receipte, and if the receipts exceed the ex- bargain in getting this suite of rooms at \$70

The vote was passed.

The Chairman said the next vote was one of \$536.84, equivalent to £85, for defraying light dues altogether and to throw them the cost of analysing the observations and readings of the tides at Hongkong for 1887 88 and making the results available for future predictions. It might be within the knowledge of hon, members that a book was published in England giving the tide tables for Singaporo and Hongkong, and the author of that book, who was a specialist, had written out for a grant of £85 in order that these tables might be made more absolutely correct. From inquiry it appear ed that these tables had been framed on the rather rough taking of the tide gauge by a Naval Yard constable in former years who was probably not very exact, but for the last two years the Government had had at work in the police basin at Tsim-tsa-taui ar automatic tide gauge. The markings of this gauge had been sent home to England and it was supposed that from the analysis of these returns much more correct tide tables would be available for the future. In other words the tide tables would be founded on mathematical observations inatead of on somewhat rough and unscientific

> Hon. P. Ryric said £85 seemed a large sum, and asked if the same amount was paid by other places in the East. The Chairman said he thought the clerical work of analysing the tides for two

years must be very great. The vote was passed.

The sum of \$2,577.42 was voted to cover payments for the undermentioned works not completed before the 31st Dec. last and for which no provision has been made in this year's estimates, namely, redrainage of Government Civil Hospital \$119.82, and construction of a storm water drain in Jubilee Street \$2,457.60. unexpended balance from 1890 \$9,263.35.

THE HOSPITAL SHIP.

A sum of \$2,500 was voted to provide building of the Hygeia.

In connection with the last item the Mr Webber \$1,50% He (the defend-Attorney General as to what the hospital Webber to settle the matter and ship was to be used for, said the lazaretto was prepared to pay the amount for Hon. J. J. Keswick and Mr Granville at Stonecutters had been given up to the which he was liable, but a settlement was military authorities for due consideration, always put off by Mr Webber and the and the Hygens would be used as a lazaretto | plaintiff until the former left the colony. hulk, or, should an epidemic break out, as He contended that although the promissory an epidemic hospital. Hon. C. P. Chater asked what the con-

sideration given for the lazaretto was. going to receive \$20,000 for it. In reply been taken on the note, In the demand to further questions he said that was the which had been made on him by the plain. That money has not been repaid. I lent sum at which the building had been valued tiffs' solicitors for payment no account was and he understood the amount would re- taken of the \$800 which he had paid. coup the Government for the cost of erecting it, as it was almost new and there could have been very little deterioration.

DIVISION OF LAPSED SALARY. A sum of \$188, being undrawn salary of the third bailiff of the Supreme Court from let May to 22nd September, 1890, was voted to the first and second bailiffs in proportions recommended by the Registrar, the first and second bailiffs baving done the work from the time the third bailiff abscended until a successor was appointed. POKFULAM FILTER BED.

A sum of \$3,254.41, unexpended balance in 1890 on account of the Pokfulam filter and \$485.59, excess over estimated cost, were voted. CONPASSIONATE ALLOWANCE.

The next vote was one of \$888 as a com- with Mr Webber, solicitor. There was some for a friend in November 1888. My sickness in the City and throughout the

tain similar privileges. We now come to bers of the Civil Service, and the Secretary arrived at on the usual basis of one month's not state then that I had paid \$700 to Mr | the 11th May 1889, saying Mr Minhimnett heard of were mostly old and bruken-down mittee for some time and has also been a the whole increase is not to be given at calculated on the assumption that the in. of that amount I paid \$700 to Mr Wotton he asked for. On 10th September I had the Fung Piu Sho, a sort of Hospital in matter of representation to several suc- once but by a gradual increment from year orease of pay recommended by the Council on account of Mr Webber. I did not pay another note saking if I could oblige the City where the friendless and those put taken that the amount to be paid should be which I have a receipt.

the amount according to the old rate pend.

Charles David Wilkinson, solicitor, said with a memo, that he had paid \$100 In our Hospital and Mission compound, ing receipt of the approval of the Secretary — I was present at an interview between Ah — 2600 in all. In January of the following (including the Female Seminary under Mission Compound). Hon. P. Ryrie - If we are to have an in- ing receipt of the approval of the Secretary collected from let Jan last year to 31st creased military contribution we cannot go of Stafe. It would make a difference of You and you. I heard you ask whether year Mr Webber wrote asking for a loan of Noyes), there have been only two deaths Hon. C. P. Chater-I am given to underfor twenty-five years.

> Hon. C. P. Chater-And is that all the allowance his family gets for it? The Chairman—Yes. The amount was voted. Tas Committee then adjourned.

The Chairman-Yes.

SUPREME COURT. IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

(Before Sir James Russell, Chief Justice, and Special Jury.) Friday, March 20.

MINHINNETT V. FRASBR SMITH. This was an action for the recovery balance of \$1300 due on a promissory note. Mr Francis, Q.C., instructed by Messra Denuys and Mossop, appeared for the plaintiff, and the defendant appeared in person The following special jury was sworn, Mesers E. Burnie, T. Howard, S., W. Coxon, H. Crawford, E. H. Melbye, A. O'D. Gowrdin and N. P. Dhalla. Mr. Francis said this was an

The learned and then read the pleador that amount. The plaintiff now sued for the balance of \$1,300 with interest from the date of the writ. In his answer the defendant admitted signing the promissory note, but alleged that there was a collateral agreement by which he became responsible rudeness and insult on the part of Mr swer to the letter from Messre Dennys and for \$5,000 of the amount lent, the balance Francis. When, in reply to my question, of \$1,500 being payable by Mr Webber. In addition to the two sums of \$300 said 'He was not dying, was he?' and \$500 mentioned in the petition._as payments by the defendant, it was stated that two further sums of \$600 and \$700 iad been paid by Webber and that nothing ! now remained due. Mr Francis (proceeding) submitted that under the provisions of for payment before Mr Webber left the

Mr Frager Smith said he was being plaintiff to prove the debt. When I the learned Counsel took self to predict that the defence was l limited to one of payment he overshot the mark. It was quite time enough for him to prophesy when he heard what was to be said for the defence.

being that the sum sued for had been

His Loriship said the onus of proof was Mr Fraser Smith-I don't think your

Lordship quite appreciates the situation. His Lordship-Now don't be imper-I do appreciate the situation. and as I am presiding here it is for me to say what is to be done. You have to prove your case. Mr Fraser Smith-Vory well, I accept

our Lurdship's decision at once, but wish to disabuse your Lordship's nind ordship has misconstrued my remark. His Lordship—It is the only meaning can put on it. It is for me to say what the course of procedure, and I have told you that it is for you to begin. Mr Fraser Smi h-That may be so, my

His Lordship—Your defence is that the noney has been paid and that shifts the onus of proof on you. Mr Fraser Smith-I quite appreciate and understand that. I am only sorry your Lordship should imagine for one moment all \$6464. I never received anything the sum on account of the promissory note that I wished to be impertinent.-The de. more than \$800 from Mr Webber on in question. It appeared indeed that what fendant then addressed the jury. He said he had been taken somewhat unawares in the position he had been placed in by the ruling of the Court, which was no doubt quite in accordance with the law. In his simplicity he was under the impression that when one person was suing another for a sum of money in a Court of justice it was for the person suing to come forward and prove his case. The onus was thrown on him, however, to prove that Mr Webber, either by themselves or somebody else, had paid the of \$1,300 on which this suit was based

made, which he afterwards detailed in promissory note was signed the collateral sureement referred to in the answer to the permanent moorings for the new hospital petition was drawn up, and that the ship Hygeia; also \$29,300, re-vote, for plaintiff was cognisant of it. The plaintiff the last two instalments to be paid for the in a previous case had admitted that he lent him (the defendant) \$5,000, and note was signed jointly and severally he had a valid and sufficient defence in equity. If Mr Webber had not left the colony he Mr Francis - That was for interest overdue. Nothing whatever was paid on account of principal.

Mr-Frasor Smith-The statement made by the learned counsel is absolutely false. His Lordship-That is not a proper ex-

Mr Francis I should ask your Lordship. if you please, not to interrupt him; he is only dyeing himself deeper in lies as he December I went to Mr Wobber's office and goes on as usual, and I have seen nothing Mr Fraser-Smith-I apologise to you, my

not to the learned counsel.

have been in Hongkong over twenty years. had one transaction with Mr Minhinnett and his observations confirm my own. In June last I entered into business relations through Mr Webber. I borrowed \$2500 There has been an unusual amount of Shameen Hotel in August last. Mr Wil- action. I heard nothing about the \$6500 few deaths from the prevailing influence

he had paid Minhinnett any money. His Lordship said this was not evidence. Webber called in the afternoon and told sickness, and one of these was an old

nort of his own statement. Webber on account of a promissory note. met nor spoken, to him; anywhere, health will soon be restored. Mr Fraser Smith asked Ah You if he had He and Mr Webber called at my office on

by Mr Wobber and Mr Ah Yon.

you \$5000 and Webber \$1,500. I think I, by install onts. The next thing I heard of by Robert Fracer Smith and John as my solicitor in the matter. I became requested a memo, of my indebtedness Frances Webber 'jointly and severally. security in the New O. B. C. in November. to Mr. Minhimsett. In response to that a you. You said it would only be for a day Mossop, enclosing an account which was Smith editor, proprietor and publisher of or two, or a fortnight at the farthest, incorrect and included amounts, which had the Hougkong Telegraph, and John Francis When the fortnight was up you had not been paid already. A writ was then issued jointly and severally signed a promissory manager wrote to me stating that the money Clarke in Chambers. I at once admitted note by which they promised to pay the must be paid within two days. I went to the \$5.0.0 and offered to pay it at plaintiffor his order, five months after date, your office, and in your oily way you told once. Judgment was entered against me the sum of £6,500; with interest at the me you had been disappointed. I also went for that amount on 25th August. After rate of 12 per cent per annum. Mr to Mr Webber. He said he had not the this, on the occasion of the interview at Webber never paid anything on account money. Mr Smith proposed that I should the Shameen Hotel, Mr Ali You disof the promissory note either as principal try to get it from a Chinese banker. I met | tinetly stated to me that he had paid or interest. The defendant Fraser Smith you on several occasions with reference to \$100 to Mr Minhinnett on Mr Webber's had paid two sums of \$300 and \$500. He this matter before the note was signed. | account. I should be in a position to was sued for the balance 'nd on admitting About a fortnight Before Mr Webber left prove this conclusively had this case been his indebtedness to the extent of \$5,000 | the Colony I was in your house and you | delayed for three weeks, as I have every and interest less the two amounts previous. tried to get me to divide the note. I did reason to believe Mr Webber is now on ly paid, judgment was entered against him not see you sign the note. Mr Webber his way out to the Colony. Had I not took the note to you to sign as he said you been sick and confined to bed I should

Mr Fraser Smith -I am sorry to have to I to adjourn the case. make a complaint to your Lordship of ! the witness said I was sick. Mr Francis His Lordship making no reply, the examination continued.

Witness-I had no correspondence with you prior to the signing of the promissory note. I made applications to you the Code the burden of proof in the case Colony. I was at your office dozens of Mr Webber's departure and offered to was thrown upon the defendant, the defence | times about it. I also made written ap- | share the loss of the \$1500 with me. plications. I called at your office in March 890. Mr Webber was present. There was no arrangement made then about the payment of the money by instalments. I don't know that there was any special reason why I did not take legal proceedings against you. I suppose I could choose my own time. I did not want to push you and Webber into Court.

Mr Fraser Smith-After Webber left the Colony you changed your policy. Witness-I can explain that. I called on vou about a fortnight after Webber going to do. You said it was very hard lines of Hongkong. that you should have to pay Webber's \$1500. I said we would divide the difference—you would pay \$750—and I'll lose \$750. You said, 'Not a damned cash unless you -zo into Court for it. I said Well we'll have to fight.' Yes and I'll make it hot for you.' man in the Chinese Customs enclosing \$50 | There was absolutely no evidence before to my being in any way impertinent. Your to send to Webber at Singapore. That was the Court that would entitle the defendant before you declared war. I got the \$6500 | to get out of his liability. There was no from Tsang King, and I had to pay \$65 evidence of the payment of the sums of interest to a Chinese bank for it. I \$600 and \$700 in respect of which Mr endorsed the note over to Tsang King, and | Fraser Smith was defending, the action. after Mr Webber's departure he re-indersed and he submitted that they were never it over to me. I have received \$800 on ac- paid. count of the promissory note. I see a receint from Mr Webber for \$300 paid attention of the jury to the fact that by you. I did get \$300 from Mr whatever the witness Ah Yon might have Webber but not on the date of that said at Canton about the payment of a sum receipt. I admit receiving also \$500 and of \$700 on behalf of Mr Wobber he had \$5540 and \$529. I admit receiving in denied in the witness box that he had paid

having got that. It was not on account of on the plaintiff was entitled to recover this transaction. It was interest on another | the whole-amount from defendant. It had transaction altogether. security at the bank for the money. Who same time as the promissory note, but it got it and what they did with it I know nothing about except what they told me. I got \$6,500 to my good this overdraft from the Chinese bank. I paid the money into Mr Webber's hands and went with him to the O.B.C. to see him pay it in to meet the overdraft. In the nigotiations the sum of \$600 which it was said had been The defendant then related to the jury the afterwards I saw both Mr Webber and Mr paid to the plaintiff, there was no evidence circumstances under which the loan was | Fraser Smith. They told me the loan was | to support that statement. to buy the gunboats. I never received evidence. He stated that at the time the anything from Mr Smith's own hand on account of this promissory note, and the only to 2 accounts I received from Mr Webber were \$300 and \$500. I received the \$300 on the 9th of July 1889. That was the first payment. I received the next pay. ment in January 1890. There was more than these two payments than due in paid back in September. He owed me at the time \$1000 one another account The \$600 mentioned was paid by Webber | the money on account of the \$600 loan, not on account of the \$6,500. I never arranged to divide way to accede to the request. the amount of the promissory note and take two instead of one. I have had other transactions besides this with Mr Fras r The Chairman said the Government was ventured to say action would never have Smith. Lient Webber and Ah Yon \$900 on their joint promissory note in June 1890. Ah Yon \$1,900 on the security of a life policy. There is no truth in the state. ment that I retained \$700 of this on ac count of Mr Webber. Ah You had nothing

to do with this transaction. *

Robert Fraser Smith, the defendant said-On the 8th December 1888. signed a promissory note Webber's office for \$6,500. I had so sion; and there is nothing in the streets ceived \$5,000 some days previously or among the people to indicate anything. from Mr Webber. At that time I did not out of the ordinary course. Business know who was the lender. On the 8th activity in the shops and on the streets was then informed who the lender was. Mr to indicate any unusual mortality except a Webber asked me then in presence of the slight increase in the number of mourning Lord, for using an improper expression - plaintiff if I would agree to sign a joint tablets and lanterns put up before the promissory note for \$6,500 as he was in went houses where a death of one of the older Evidence for the defence was the call. of some money in the office. I agreed to do members has taken place. The Rev. Dr. so. The joint promissory note was signed in Henry has been through the city in dif-Loung Ah Yon, ship charterer, said-I Mr Minbinnett's presence. I had previously ferent directions during the past two weeks \$500. I refused to let him have it. Mr which could be attributed to the prevailing Ah You had denied that he paid any money me he had got \$500 and had paid it to Mr woman of deer 70, who had been ill for a to Minhimett. I had been continually press- long time. Mr Fraser Smith said he wished it in sup- ing Mr Webber to settle this matter. The plaintiff was four times at my place on cleansed the City and furnished somewhat

paid anything to Mr Minhinnett on the the 16th or 17th of March and the matter promissary note, and Mr Ah You replied was left enterely in abeyonce. Mr Webber that he had paid \$700 as security for Mr and Mr Minhinnett were on the most Webber. I understood that a promissory friendly terms. In May some time I got note had been given by Mr Wobber to Mr the letter, which was written in behalf of Minhinnett and that Mr Ah You had paid Mc Tsang King which I looked upon as a I had asked Mr Webber a dozon Mr Francis said that was a totally dis- times to settle the matter and offered him s dinct matter. The promissory note in quest cheque for \$5000 to have it sottled: tion was dated June 1889 and was signed. Another month was allowed to clapse. The legal proceedings (lireatened were John Minhimpett, the plaintiff, said -- Mr not begun. On 10th June it was Webber did some work for me as a solicitor. known to many people, Mr Minhinnett Webber did not lend to you \$5,000 on My included, that Mr Webber was in what account. I lent it to you and Webber is known as 'Queer Street.' Then Mr jointly and severally. I might have said Minhinnett-called with Mr Wobber and an in the witness-box in November last I lent arangement was come to to pay the amount said I did not pay you the money but that "it was in Jaly, when I got Messrs Donnys I supposed Webber paid it. Webber acted and Mossop's letter, in reply to which ! 1888 for \$6,500 on behalf of Webber and letter was sent from Messra Dannya and paid the money into the Bank, and the and the matter came before Mr Justice have been able to make representations Mr Francis-He was not dying, was he? | which might have induced your Lordship

Cross-examined-I did not send any anwanted from Messrs County and Mosson was a memo, of what I owed. I had the money to pay the amount due by me three times over at that time. I offered to pay the \$5000 to Mr Minhinnett and I believe to Mr Mossop.

By His Lordship—It is absolutely untrue that Mr Minhimett called on me after concluded the defence. Mr Francis called no evidence.

Mr Fraser Smith in addressing the jury, submitted that evidence had been adduced from which the jury would be able to give a verdict for him. He asserted most emphatically that the statements made by the plaintiff in the box were deliberate lies. Notwithstanding what had been said and done with reference to a matter which was noterious in the colony, he might say he hardly knew Minhinnett yet. The question before the jury was simply one of facts, and on the defendant. It was for him to prove left the Colony with reference to this pro- as a matter of equity he knew he could apmissory note and asked you what you were | peal with confidence to seven business men

Mr Francis, in the course of a brief ad. dress, stated that in law each of the signa. tories of the joint promissory note was equally liable for the whole amount. The plaintiff lent the money to them jointly and You said knew nothing at the time of how they proposed to divide it, and even if he had You showed me a letter from a known both men were still equally liable.

His Lordship, in summing up, called the account of this note. I see a cheque for he said had reference to another transact \$100 received from Mr Webber. I admit tion. On the face of the document sued been stated that the agreement as to the Cross-examined by Mr Francis-I became | distribution of the money was made at the would surely have been as easy to make tho promissory note itself in the same terms. and it seemed to his Lordship that if both were made at the same time the course of procedure was surely some what extraordinary. With reference to The jury after a short retirement re-

turned a verdiet for the plaintiff by 5 His Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiff, for the sum claimed, with interest at 8 per cent from the date of the

Mr. Fraser Smith asked his Lordship to suspend judgment for a month in order Chairman, in reply to a question by the ant) had repeatedly fried to get Mr the shape of interest. I lent Webber that he might take the necessary steps for on 30th August 1889 \$600, which he a new trial at which he expected Mr Web. ber would be able to give substantial evidence with reference to the payment of His Lordship said he could not see his

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE SICKNESS IN CANTON. To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

Canton, 18th March. Sin, - Reports of the amount and fatal character of sickness in Canton having been circulated, and currency given to them by papers in the North, it is proper for me to say that these reports are very much exaggerated. I have been in some part of the city almost every day, visiting the sick, and have seldom met a funeral proces-

Since the rains have in some measure Witness-Mr Ah You said be had paid Sunday, and I met him I think three times purer water, there has been a better state \$700 to Mr Minhinnett as security for Mr at Mr Webber's. Beyond that I had never of health, and the ordinary condition of

THE WATER AND DRAINAGE DE- | to 3 inches had been fixed at a cost of PARTMENT.

PROGRESS OF WORKS. . The following report was presented to the Legislative Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor, on the 19th March, 1891 :-

THE WATER AND DRAINAND DEPARTMENT, RESEDENT ENGINEERS OFFICE. Il ngkong, 7th F b nary, 1891. Sig. -I-have the home of to forward you the following report on the condition of the works in charge of this D partment, and the progress of the new works that have

been in course of construction during the past year. EXISTING WORKS.

Tytam and Polifulum Reservoirs. -The Tytom and Pokini un Reservoirs have been maintained in a satisfactory state of repair without any extr. ordinary expenditure. The only work calling for special mention being the diversion of the stream at the north end of the Polifidam Reservoir

western side of the reservoir. By means of this bye-pass water very water and a greater-economy is effected in Sewerage Works to date is \$6,184:50

filtration. Tytam Filter-Beds .- The Tytam Filter-Beds have been in constant use throughout the year. During the early part of the vear a portion of the course sand forming \$2,424,23. the filtering material was removed to a wells constructed in each of the heds to beenadmit of accurately determining the quan-

tity of water filtered by each hed. Since the first of November I have had a daily record kept of the quantity of water passing through the filters, and find that during the month of November the quantity filtered was 61,298,000 gallans, giving an average rate of filtration-allowing for one bed always being out of use—of 743 gallous per 24 hours per square yard- of filter area. The filters required cleaning once in 16

During the month of December the total quantity filtered was G1,284,00 ; gallons, giving an average rate of filtration of 704 gallons per 24 hours per square yard of filter area. The filters required cleaning

once in 21 days. The consumption of water from the Tytam Works during the month of November was 59,439,892 gallons per diem, and that during the month of December was 62,630,533 gallons, or 2,020,349 gallons UITABLE for OFFICES-7 ROOMS

per diem. Distribution Works. - The Distribution | TRAL, No. 8 - to be let together or singly. Works consisting of several miles of castiron pipes laid in various parts of the City have been maintained in as efficient a manner as practicable without an undue expenditure on them, the fact being borne in mind that many of these pipes are shortly to be replaced by new ones of large diame-

The total expenditure on the maintenance of the water-works during the past year has been 86,428 75. The Drainage Works. - The drains throughout the City have received constant attention, and on the whole they have been maintained in an efficient state of repair and as free from deposit as can be re sonably expected, so long as the combined system of sewerage exists, at a cost of \$1,251.82.

NEW WORKS. Pokfulam Filter Beds and Service Reservoir, -The Pokfulam Filter-Beds and Service Reservoirs which were commenced in November, 1889, have now been completed.

The filter-beds are four in number having a total area of 1,360 square yards, the invert is constructed on the ridge and furrow system, and gauge wells are provided for the purpose of measuring the water passing through the filters.

The filtering material consists of 12 inches of coarse broken stone, 9 inches of stone broken to 4-inch cubes. It inches of coarse sand, and 2 feet of fine sand, the furrows in the invert being filled with very coarse broken stone.

The reservoir, 14t feet in length, 35 feet in breadth, and 30 feet 6 inches in depth. having a capacity of 940,000 gallons, is constructed of concrete faced with stone and covered over with brick arching carried on masonry piers.

The total cost of this work has been **\$3**9,485,59.

WATER DISTRIBUTION WORKS. The final plans for the distribution of water throughout the City of Victoria having been approved and the pipes requisitioned early in 1889 having arrived main laying was commenced on the 19th April and has proceeded uninterruptedly since.

I append a plan shewing the several dis tricts into which the City has been divided for the purpose of checking the cost of the work, and a tabular statement shewing the lengths of pipes of various diameter laid, and the cost of the same in each district. The total length of mains laid during the year being 103 miles at a cost of **\$70,254.80**.

Three small covered Reservoirs at a cost of 84,427.62 have been constructed, viz :-One on the Peak Road of 12,000 gallons capacity at a level of 700 feet above Ordnance Datum One South of Inland Lot 715 of

112,000 gallons capacity at a level of 500 feet above Ordnanco Datum One south of the Pokfulum Filter-Beds 105,000 gallons capacity at a level of 600 feet above Ordnance Datum. At present only the first two of these are in use; the water is pumped up into them by the Hydraulic Motor which has been fixed in Garden Road, and afterwards distributed throughout the district between the Caine Road and the Pokfulam Conduit, but until the other hydraulic motors are

uxed a constant high pressure supply is unobtainable in all parts of these districts. An Hydraulic Motor of the Worthington type has been fixed in Garden Road at a ated 5-ROOMED HOUSES, with BATH cost of \$3,156.09, and commenced pumping Rooms Complete. Splendid View. Mode-water to the houses situated along the Peak rate Rent. Road early in September; and is now pumping night and day supplying filtered water to the higher levels of the City.

Fountains -Forty nine fountains at a cost of \$890.21 have been fixed in various parts of the City for the purpose of rendering a supply of water easily available for those who have not got water laid on inside

their premises. Rouse Services. - The work of laying on water to private premises was commenced early in September, and since then the service pipes of 599 houses have been connected with the new water mains, and in MEMORIAL HOSPITAL several instances the work throughout including the internal fittings has been executed by this Department at the cost of the applicant.

Meters .- In cases where water is requir. ed for other than domestic purposes meters have been fixed. Up to the 31at of Doccinper 24 meters ranging in size from i inch

\$1,609.83

In accordance with instructions received in C.S.O. 1944, the works for the sewerage of the City of Victoria have been commenced and considerable progress has been made with the new system of sewers in the High Lovel District, upwards of 2,700 lineal yards having been completed, and with the works of training the Nullaha in the Western District between the Pokfalam Conduit and the Rebinson Ruad. The latter are nearly completed; the cost of these works to date has been \$12,640.52. Pive hundred lineal vards of pipe sawers in the district marked 28 on plan attached have been on pleted at a cost of \$1 563.40. This work was randered immediately recessary owing to the exceptionally bad condition of the old drains.

Feak Scherage.—The sowers in the Peak District have been extended along the Plantation and the Peak Roads-for length of 800 lineal yards to provide for the drainings of new houses; the cost of this work has been \$2,979.87, making the total

by means of a 12-inch tipe haid along the cost of the Peak Sewerage Works to date 88,581.95 Kowloon Severage. - A short length of much freer of deposit can be delivered to sewer and a thishing tank have been conthe City during the greater part of the structed in Kimberley Road at a cost of summer than hitherto, the result being a \$464.63, providing for the drainage of the better quality of water if supplied to the new terrace new nearly completed in this districts at present unsupplied with filtered | locality. The total cost of the Kowloon the maintenance of the filter beds connected | Hunghom Sewerage. - Owing to the conwith the Pokialam Works, the cost of dition of the existing drains in Hunghom

maintenance to a large extent depending on | and the serious expense that would be the quantity of matters held in suspension | involved in cleaning and repairing them which have to be removed by the process of | even as a temperary measure, the const no tion of the new system of sewers was commenced early, in September; 1,160 lineal yards have now been completed. The cost of this work to date has been

The more important other works of depth of one foot six inches, and replaced | Sewerage and Drainage undertaken by this by sand of much finer quality, and gauge Department during the past year have

(L) The re-arrangement of the sewers and internal sanitary fittings of the Government Civil Hospital. (2.) The diversion of the storm-water drain crossing the site of the New

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16. - Watson, A. S., & Co. The Exchange is open day and night. A. SANDFORD, NOW READY. TIOLUNTEERS AND THE DEFENCE OF HONGKONG. A SECTOR.

To be had at Messra. Lang, CRAWFORD will be subject to rent. & Co.: Messra KELLY & WALSH; and Mosars. W. BESWEE & Co. August 14, 1889.

SAILOR'S HOME. A NY Cast-off CLOTHING, BOOKS, or A PAPERS will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point Hongkong, July 25, 1887.

Notices to Consignees.

NORDDEUTSOHER LLOYD. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES:

STEAMSHIP SACHSEN. FROM BREMEN AND PORTS OF CALL: 11HE above-named Steamer having ar-

rived. Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kow-LOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained. OPHONAL CARGO will go on to Shanghai. unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 p.m. This Afternoon, the 19th Instant: No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th Instant will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods

are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Thursday, the 26th Instant, at 4 p.m. All Claims must reach us before the 27th Instant, or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by MELCHERS & Co.,

Hongkong, March 19, 1891. FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND

THE S.S. Aglaia, Capt. E. CHRISTIANSEN. signature by the Undersigned, and to take Railways. immediate delivery of their Goods from

alongside. To-MORROW, the 20th Instant, at Noon. Any Cargo impeding her discharge will and Japan to Europe. be landed into the Gopowns of the Hong-

No Claims will be admitted after the lector of Customs, San Francisco. will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will to examined on the 26th Inst., at 4 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSSEN & Co.. Hongkong, March 19, 1891, INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE. MHE Company's Steamship Wingsang having arrived from the above Ports.

Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hono-KONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN Co., LTD., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 23rd Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Consignees are requested to present all Claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 30th Instant, otherwise they will not be recognized. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, March 17, 1891. FROM SOURABAYA, SAMARANG, BATAVIA AND SAIGON.

I THE Steamship Borneo, having arrived Noon. I from the above Ports. Consignees AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN Co., Lp., at West Point, whence delivery may be obtained. Cargo remaining undelivered after the

23rd Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Consignees are requested to present all Claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 30th Instant, otherwise they will not be recognized. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Hongkong, March 17, 1891. THE CHINA SHIPPERS MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COM-

PANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM LONDON, LIVERPOOL AND

SINGAPORE. having arrived from the above Ports, Passengers and Breight for Japan, the Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed, United States, and Europe. be obtained.

Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned, before Noon on the 22nd Instant, or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 22nd Inst., at 4 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 22nd Inst. will be subject to rent.

· Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Hongkong, March 16, 1891. MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. S.S. MACDUFF, FROM MIDDLESBRO, GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

MONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Kowloon WHARF & GODOWN Cox, at Kowloan, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-DAY. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods

remaining undelivered after the 24th Inst. All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 1528 the 21th Tustant, or they will not be reognized. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,

Hongkong, March 18, 1891.

Mails.

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND CUTH AMERICA, AND SUROPK

THE OVERLAND RATEWAYS.

LANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STRAMERS.

THE Stempship - GAELIO will despatched for San Francisco. Yokohama, on TELESDAY, the 24th March, 1891, at Daylight, connection being made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports, all Parcel Packages should be marked to adress in full; and same will be received

at the Company's Office until 5 p.m. the

day previous to sailing. First-class Fares granted as follows :-To San Francisco ... \$225.00 To San Francisco and return, 393.75 To London ... 332.00 To other European points at proportionits rates. Special reduced rates granted to

obtained on application. Passengers by this Line have the option having arrived from the above Ports, of proceeding Overland by the Southern Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to Pacific and connecting Lines, Central Pacisend in their Bills of Lading for counter- fie, Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-

and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to

ambarking at San Francisco for China or Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless | Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be notice to the contrary be given before sllowed a discount of 10 %. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo

KONG, KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN Co., destined to points beyond San Francisco. LTD., and stored at Consignees' risk and in the United States, should be sent to the Com any's Offices, addressed to the Col-Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods For further information as to Freight remaining undelivered after the 26th Inst. or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50a, Quocu's Road Central.

> Acting Agent. Hicngkong, March 16, 1891. NOTIOE.

J. S. VAN BUREN,

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS. STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,

COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, · MEDITERRANEAN AND. LACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA,

MARSEILLES, AND PORTS

OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;

ONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX N WEDNESDAY, the 25th March. / 1891, at Noon, the Company's S.S. NATAL, Comedan VERROY, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO

will leave this Port for the above places. 541 - Cergo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and acsepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe. ompping Orders will be granted till

Cargo will be received on board until 4 of Cargo by her are hereby informed that | p.m. Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on their Goods are being landed at their the 24th March, 1891. (Parcels are not risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and value of Packages are re

For further particular, apply at the

Company's Office. G. DE OHAMPEAUX,

Hongkong, March 12, 1891. U. S. MAIL LINE. PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHII

COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUGHING TY YOKOHAMA AND SAN.

FRANCISCO. THE U.S. Mail Steamship CHINA will be despatched for SAN FRAN-CISCO, vid YOKOHAMA, on THURS-THE Company's Steamship Chingwo, DAY, the 2nd April, at 1 p.m., taking

that their Goods are being landed at their Through Bills of Lading issued for trans- and CARGO, will leave this port as above, risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and portation to Yokobama and other Japan KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and LIMITED, Kowloon, whence delivery may Inland Cities of the United States, vib Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 No Claims will be admitted after the and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, p.m. on the 11th of April. (Parcels Goods have left the Godowns, and all Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted

England, France, and Germany by air trans-Atlantic lines of Steamors. First-class Fares granted as follows :-To San Francisco \$225.00 To San Francisco and return, 393.75 available for 6 months To Liverpool ... 325.00 To London ... 332.00 To other European points at proportion ate rates. Special reduced rates granted to

obtained on application. Passengers by this Line have the option of proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific and connecting Lines, Central Pacilie, Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific their stay in Hongkong Harbour; Railways Passengers, who have paid full fare, reembarking at San Francisco for China or

Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service

and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be

Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 %. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe Freight will be received on board until . p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parce Packages will be received at the office unti-5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Officea in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50a, Queen's Road Central.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo

Acting Agent. Hongkong March 16, 1: 91.

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

Proposed Sailings from Hongkong, 1891.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.) Empress of India Tuesday Parthia Tuesday Empress of Japan Tuesday

HE Steamship EMPRESS OF INDIA Capt. O. P. MARSHALL, R. R. R., sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 7th April with Hor Majesty's Mails, will proceed to VANCOUVER, vid SHANGHAL NAGA-

SAKI, INLAND SEA, KOBE and YOKO-RATES OF PASSAGE. FROM HONGKONG, FIRST CLASS. To Vancouver. Viotoria, Esquimault, New Westminster, Port \$225.00 Townsend, Scattle, Tacoma, Portland, O..... To Banff, Calgarry..... To Winnipeg\$275.00 To Minneapolis, St. Paul, Duluth. \$285.00 To Chicago, Kansas City, St. \$295.00

Louis, Milwaukee. To Detroit, Cincinnati, Cleve-Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service land, Columbus, Hamilton, Toronto, London, (Ont.), Niagara Falls lo Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal. Quebec, New York, Albany, Troy, Rochester, Baltimore, Philadephia, Pitteburg, Wash ington, Boston, Portland (Me)

> Halifax, St. John. To Liverpool, and London\$325.00 To Paris and Bremen To Havre and Hamburg\$335.00 Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers. Special rates (first class only) are granted

Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials. Return Tickets,-First and second class only. - Prepaid return tickets to Pacific Coast Points, and to Eastern and Interior Points of Canada and U.S.A. will be grant-529 ed, available for:-

12 months at 25 per cent. off Return Fare

to date of re-embarkation at Vancouver). Passengers to Pacific Coast Points and to Interior and Eastern Points of Canada and U.S.A. not holding prepaid return tickets. but who re-embark at Vancouver within 12 mouths from date of issue of original ticket. will be allowed 10 per cent. off the return Prepaid return tickets to Liverpool and London will be issued available for 12 months at \$650 or for 4 months \$575. Cargo.—Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to

Canadian and United States Points. States Points should be in quadruplicate; and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the care of D. E. Brown, Assistaut General Freight and Passenger Agent. Canadian Pacific Railway Company, Vancouver, B.C.

address marked in full by 5 p.m. on the day previous to sailing. and Freight, apply to

Hongkong, March 18, 1891. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. NOTICE.

SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON. BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, PORTS.

AND LUGGAGE.

of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA. AN SUNDAY, the 12th day of April. 1891, at 11 a.m., the Company's S.S. SACHSEN, Captain K. v. GOESSEL, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE calling at GENOX. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office). Contents and Value of Packages are required.

Teither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during ABNER COBURN, American ship, Captain Geo. A. Nichels-Jardine, Matheson & Co. Apole Olkio, American barque, Capt. F. Carleton.—Renter, Brockelmann & Co. ARMENIA, British barque, Capt. J. W. Georgietta, American barque, Captain HEATHER BELL, Brit. barque, Capt. Thos. NICOVA, British barque, Capt. Nortis .-Penshaw, British barque, Captain John STERLING, American ship, Geo. W. Good. THERMOPYLES, British ship, Capt. Wm.

Bars, st the China Mail Office, No. 6, Wyodham Street, Hougkong.

Inchay. Gibb, Livingsion & Co. win.—Russell & Co. Wilson.-Master. J. S. VAN BUREN, Printed and published by Gro, MURRAY

to Missionaries, members of the Naval,

(Time is reckoned from the date of issue

CONSULAR INVOICES of Goods for United PARCEIS must be sent to our office with

For Further information as to Passage ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

STEAM FOR

SEA & BALTIC PORTS GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL DALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills

METCHERS & Co. Hougkong, March 18, 1891; Not Responsible for Debts.

The Steamer has aplended Accommodation

and carries a Doctor and Stewardens.

For further Particulars, apply to

Morse-Arabold, Karberg & Co. F. Kasten-Wieler & Co. Hugo.—Siemssen & Co. Wieler & Co.